

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0028] with the following amended paragraph:

[0028] Continuing, as shown in Figures 1A-1C, the housing 120 defines downward oriented optical port slots 120A configured and arranged to receive, and facilitate retention of, optical fiber connectors used for optical communication with the ROSA 105 and TOSA 110. As such, when the optical transceiver module 100 is operably positioned and retained on the HBA 200, the optical port slots 120 120A face downward and the OSAs are, accordingly, positioned relatively far away from the HBA 200, relative to the position of the optical port slots 120A with respect to the HBA 200.

Please replace paragraph [0031] with the following amended paragraph:

[0031] With respect to the mounting of the ROSA 110 and TOSA 105 to a vertically oriented transceiver substrate 115, and related considerations, the arrangement of components on the front and rear surfaces of a perpendicular transceiver substrate is indicated in greater detail in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. _____ / _____, filed on _____, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/829,742, filed Apr. 22, 2004, entitled *OPTICAL TRANSCEIVER WITH INTEGRATED FEEDBACK DEVICE* (Workman Nydegger Docket No. 15436.372.1), and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. _____ / _____, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/829,608, filed Apr. 22, 2004, entitled *COMPACT OPTICAL TRANSCEIVERS FOR HOST BUS ADAPTERS* (Workman Nydegger Docket No. 15436.373.1), each of which have been is filed on the same day as the present application, and [[are]] each of which is incorporated herein in its entirety by this reference in their respective entireties.

Please replace paragraph [0032] with the following amended paragraph:

[0032] As suggested earlier herein, Figure 1B illustrates further advantages that can be realized by rotating, relative to conventional transceivers, the transceiver housing 120, as well as the TOSA 105, and ROSA 110 positions on the transceiver substrate 115. In particular, exemplary implementations of the optical transceiver module 100 are configured so that the optical port slots 120A are oriented downward, and the ROSA 110 and TOSA 105 are thus positioned above an imaginary plane [[300]] 130 passing through the transceiver substrate 115 at or near the midpoint of the transceiver substrate 115.